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In re Application of: ATKINS ET AL.

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AMENDMENT A UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire July 7, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

